

**CANNOCK CHASE COUNCIL**  
**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE**  
**RATE RELIEF COMMITTEE**  
**THURSDAY 29 SEPTEMBER 2011 AT 4.00 PM**  
**IN THE CIVIC CENTRE, BEECROFT ROAD, CANNOCK**

**PART 1**

PRESENT: Councillors

Rowley, J. (Chairman)  
Kraujalis, J.T. (Vice-Chairman)

Alcott, G.   Davis, Mrs. M.A.  
Bernard, J.D.

**5. Apologies**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors R. Easton and M.R. Grocott.

**6. Declarations of Interests of Members in Contracts and Other Matters and Restriction on Voting by Members**

No declarations of interests were made.

**7. Minutes**

RESOLVED:

That the Minutes of the meeting held on 6 July 2011 be approved as a correct record.

**8. National Non-Domestic Rates – Charitable Relief**

Consideration was given to the Report of the Head of Financial Management (Enclosure 4.1 – 4.38 of the Official Minutes of the Council).

RESOLVED:

- (A) That the action of the Head of Financial Management in awarding Mandatory Rate Relief as set out below be noted:-

Housing 21, Suite 1 Ground Floor, Pendragon House, Ridings Park, Eastern Way, Cannock

That 80% Mandatory Rate Relief be granted in respect of the above premises for one year with effect from 1 April 2011.

- (B) That the application for hardship relief in respect of Lido Working Mens Club and Institute, 58

School Road, Norton Canes, Cannock be refused as, having regard for the nature of the establishment, the detail provided in the application and the interests of the Council Tax payers, Members did not consider it was appropriate to support the application.

**9. Proposed New Framework in respect of awards for Non-Domestic Rate Relief from 1 April 2012**

The Local Taxation and Benefits Manager referred Members to Annex 4 of the report which outlined a new framework to be used to assess applications for Non-Domestic Rate Relief from 1 April 2012. The proposed framework achieved the necessary savings as agreed by Cabinet in March 2010, by reducing awards of relief proportionately across existing claimants.

The Local Taxation and Benefits Manager explained that should Members recommend that Cabinet adopt the proposed new framework it would enable Officers to provide renewal applicants notice of the reduction in rate relief for 2012.

RESOLVED:

That Cabinet be recommended to adopt the proposed framework, as set out in Annex 4 of the report, in respect of awards for Non-Domestic Rate Relief from 1 April 2012.

(The meeting closed at 4.20 pm)

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CHAIRMAN